

project unless the issuance is approved by a vote of a two-thirds majority of the district voters voting at an election held for that purpose.

(c) At the time of issuance, the total principal amount of bonds or other obligations issued or incurred to finance road projects and payable from ad valorem taxes may not exceed one-fourth of the assessed value of the real property in the district.

Sec. 7994.102. TAXES FOR BONDS. At the time the district issues bonds payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes, the district shall provide for the annual imposition of a continuing direct ad valorem tax, without limit as to rate or amount, while all or part of the bonds are outstanding as required and in the manner provided by Sections 54.601 and 54.602, Water Code.

SECTION 2. The Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 130 retains all the rights, powers, privileges, authority, duties, and functions that it had before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. (a) The legislature validates and confirms all acts and proceedings of the board of directors of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 130 that were taken before the effective date of this Act.

(b) Subsection (a) of this section does not apply to any matter that on the effective date of this Act:

(1) is involved in litigation if the litigation ultimately results in the matter being held invalid by a final judgment of a court; or

(2) has been held invalid by a final judgment of a court.

SECTION 4. (a) The legal notice of the intention to introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies, officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313, Government Code.

(b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

(c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives within the required time.

(d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE SMILEY ROAD WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

CHAPTER 626

H.B. No. 4287

AN ACT

relating to the powers and duties of the Smiley Road Water Control and Improvement District.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 9001.104, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9001.104. ~~[PROHIBITION ON]~~ DIVISION OF DISTRICT. (a) *The district may be divided into two or more districts only if the district:*

- (1) has no outstanding bonded debt; and*
- (2) is not imposing ad valorem taxes.*

(b) This chapter applies to any new district created by the division of the district, and a new district has all the powers and duties of the district.

(c) A new district created by the division of the district may not, at the time the new district is created, contain any land outside the area described by Section 9001.004.

(d) The board, on its own motion or on receipt of a petition signed by the owner or owners of a majority of the assessed value of the real property in the district, may adopt an order dividing the district.

(e) An order dividing the district shall:

- (1) name each new district;*
- (2) include the metes and bounds of each new district;*
- (3) appoint temporary directors for each new district; and*
- (4) provide for the division of assets and liabilities between the district and each new district.*

(f) On or before the 30th day after the date of adoption of an order dividing the district, the district shall file the order with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and record the order in the real property records of each county in which the district is located.

(g) A new district may be created by the division of the district only if approved by the voters of the new district in a confirmation and directors' election held for that purpose.

(h) If the district is located wholly or partly in the corporate limits or the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality, the district may not divide under this section unless the municipality by resolution or ordinance consents to the division of the district.

(i) Any new district created by the division of the district must hold an election to obtain voter approval before the district may impose a maintenance tax or issue bonds payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes. ~~[The district may not divide into two or more districts in the manner specified by Section 51.748 or 53.029, Water Code.]~~

SECTION 2. (a) The following are validated and confirmed in all respects:

(1) the creation of the Smiley Road Water Control and Improvement District; and

(2) any act or proceeding of the district, including an election, not excepted by this section and taken not more than three years before the effective date of this Act, effective as of the date on which the act or proceeding occurred.

(b) This section does not apply to:

(1) an act, proceeding, director, other official, bond, or other obligation the validity of which or of whom is the subject of litigation that is pending on the effective date of this Act; or

(2) an act or proceeding that, under a statute of this state or the United States, was a misdemeanor or felony at the time the act or proceeding occurred.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on May 19, 2017: Yeas 140, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017: Yeas 29, Nays 1, 1 present, not voting.

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**COMPENSATION OF AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES
OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE ALIANA MANAGEMENT
DISTRICT**

CHAPTER 627

H.B. No. 4289

AN ACT

relating to the compensation of and reimbursement of expenses of the directors of the Aliana Management District.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 3865, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 3865.054 to read as follows:

Sec. 3865.054. COMPENSATION; EXPENSES. (a) The district may compensate each director in an amount not to exceed \$150 for each board meeting. The total amount of compensation for each director in one year may not exceed \$7,200.

(b) A director is entitled to reimbursement for necessary and reasonable expenses incurred in carrying out the duties and responsibilities of the board.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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**FEES CHARGED BY THE COLORADO COUNTY
GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

CHAPTER 628

H.B. No. 4291

AN ACT

relating to the fees charged by the Colorado County Groundwater Conservation District.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. The heading to Section 8824.151, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 8824.151. DISTRICT REVENUE AND FEES.

SECTION 2. Section 8824.151(a), Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) To accomplish the regulatory goals of the district, pay the maintenance and operating costs of the district, and [to] pay any bonds or notes issued by the district, the district may: